(b) what portion of the income in (a) they intend to divert for undertaking some at least of the many items of public works they have promised in Cranganur but have not as yet provided for and the names of the works they can so undertake with the respective dates (approximate) when they will be commenced;

(c) whether they (intend to) appreciate the importance of (b) with special reference to the depression and unemployment of the time;

(d) whether they note the further relative importance of the works in (b) when read in the light of their occasional confessions that Cranganur is one of the poorest and most distressed parts of the State?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—(a) None.

(b), (c), (d) The questions do not arise.

Abolition of salary cut of officers.

551. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—With reference to the income in the above question will the Government be pleased to state whether they intend to utilise any portion of it for abolishing or reducing the salary cut of our officers, drawing less than rupees hundred per mensem on the strength of the precedent in the Madras Presidency and what the abolition or reduction may here amount to?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—The question does not arise in view of the answer to question No. 550.

Understanding given to T. R. Krishna Ayyar of the Finger Print Bureau.

552. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how many trained hands are there in the State F. P. B.;

(b) when and with what necessity was T. R. Krishna Ayyar sent up for F. P. training and what was the understanding given to him then;

(c) who attends the F. P. work, taking up the sole responsibility especially when the F. P. clerk goes on leave;

(d) what is his designation and grade now; what was it before?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) 2.

(b) In 1092. To assist the F. P. clerk and to run the F. P. Bureau without interruption when the F. P. clerk goes on leave. He was first appointed as a Head constable on probation on the understanding that he will undergo training at the Madras

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